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Reference is made to page 3, overlay on GSQS 4416, Sheet V-11, 1:100,000, HODONIN, on which source identified the following points:

1. Arms Parts Plant in Modrice (N 49-08, E 16-37).¹ A two-story steel and glass construction, 100 x 80 x 20 m., flat roof covered with glass. Parts for light weapons such as rifles and light machine guns were produced there. Source believed the complete firing mechanisms, i.e., firing pins, triggers, springs, etc., were produced there. Work was in two shifts, 0600 to 1400 and 1400 to 2000 hours. About 125 workers were employed during each shift; 70% of all employees were women. A single track railroad connected this plant with the main railroad tracks running from Brno to Breclav (N 48-46, E 16-53).
2. Two-story brick building, 100 x 100 x 20 m., flat roof covered with glass. Construction was completed in 1952. this building was equipped with various types of machinery. By the size of the equipment, source judged the building to be some kind of machine plant. There was a two-meter-high mesh wire fence topped with three strands of barbed wire surrounding the plant area.

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3. Double-track railroad Brno-Breclav. Source believed about 15 passenger trains traveled in each direction daily. The frequency of freight traffic was unknown to source.
4. Highway Brno-Pohorelice (N 48-59, E 16-31), asphalt, seven meters wide, good condition, heavy traffic. This highway was the best connection between Brno and Vienna.
5. Sugar refinery. For further information see point 3, page 4, this report.
6. Food cannery, six-story brick construction, 300 x 100 m., flat roof covered with tarpaper. Fruit, vegetables and meat were canned there. During World War II this factory produced tinned food for German military units. It was destroyed during World War II and reconstructed in 1947. There were about 300 workers employed at this cannery.
7. Chemical Plant "Avion". For further information see point 2, page 4, this report.
8. Single-track railroad, branched off from the main Brno-Breclav railroad line and led to Zidlochovice (N 49-02, E 16-37); very light passenger traffic, about four trains during a 24-hour period. The freight traffic went only to the three factories located there: Sugar refinery, point 5; food cannery, point 6; and chemical plant, point 7.

Reference is made to page 4, sketch of the chemical plant "Avion" and surroundings:

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1. Two-meter-high mesh wire fence enclosing the chemical plant "Avion". There was an industrial guard at the gate to the plant checking passes.
2. Chemical plant "Avion", National Enterprise (chemicka tovarena "Avion", narodni podnik). Three-story brick construction, 120 x 50 m., flat roof. This plant employed about 500 workers in two eight-hour shifts, 0600 to 1400 and 1400 to 2200 hours. Source believed that shoe polish, toothpaste and various liniments were produced there.
3. Sugar refinery area, several buildings, number unknown to source. There was a three-meter-high brick wall around the refinery. During the sugar beet season this refinery employed about 200 workers in three eight-hour shifts. Off season it employed only a skeleton crew of about 30 workers.
4. Vojkovic Street, asphalt, six meters wide, good condition.
5. Nosislavsk Street. This was the main street in Zidlochovice; asphalt, 10 m. wide, good condition, heavy traffic. It was the main road connecting Brno and Breclav.
6. Single-track railroad, branch to the sugar refinery.
7. Single-track railroad, branch to the chemical plant "Avion".
8. Small railroad station stop in Zidlochovice.

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1. Comment: This plant was commonly referred to as Ceska Zbrojovka, Modrice.

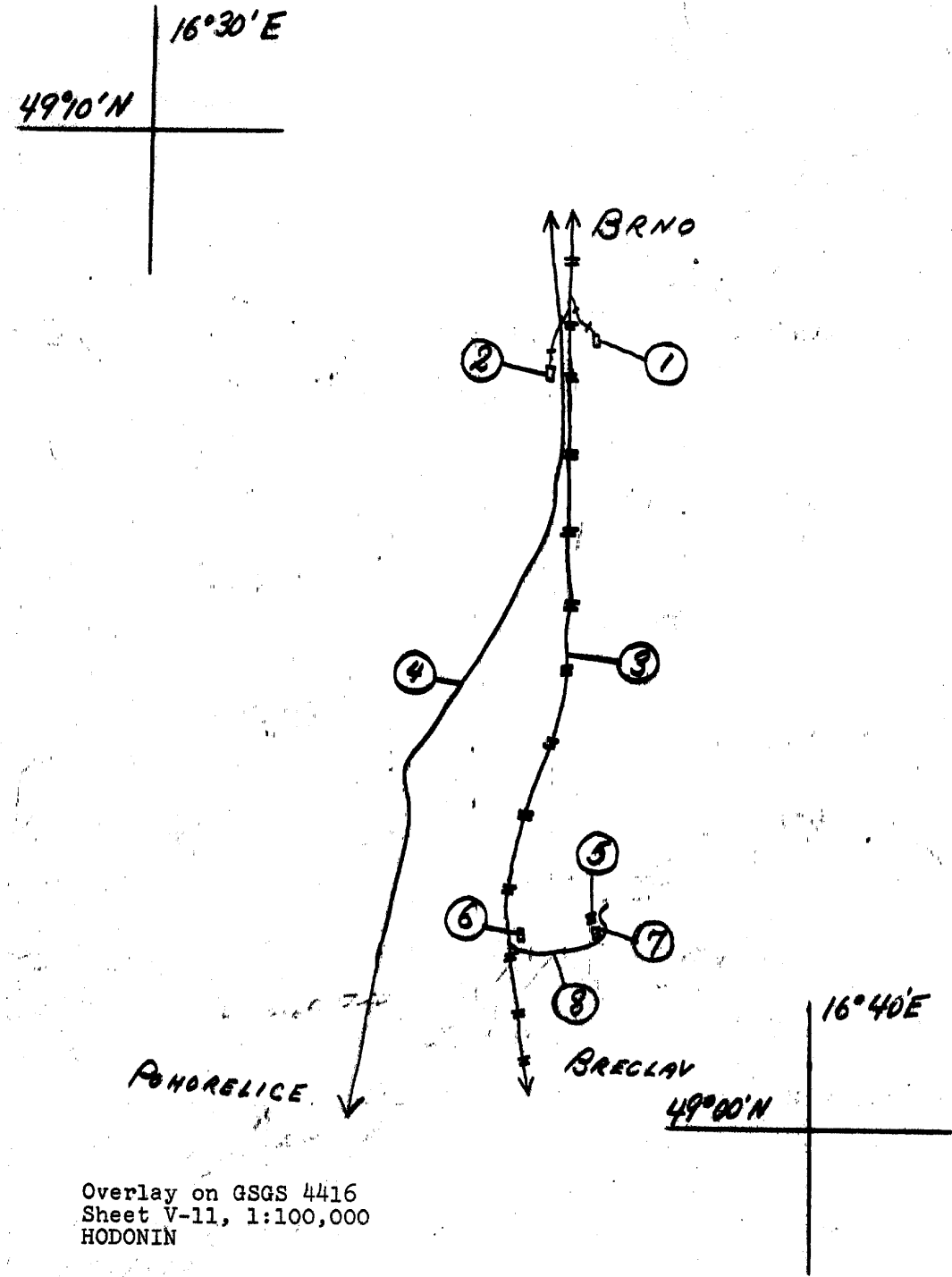
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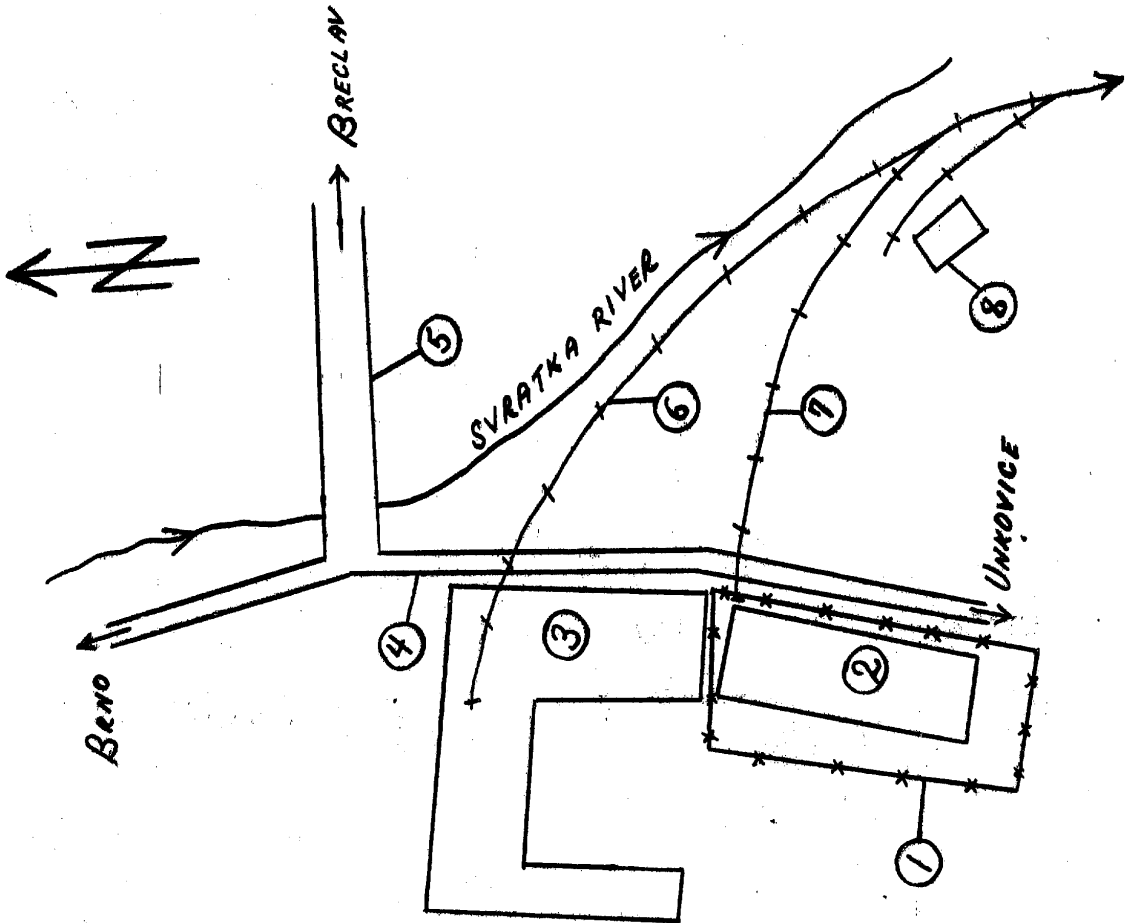
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Memory Sketch of the Chemical Plant "Avion" and Surroundings



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